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TO AMEMBASSY OTTAWA

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TAGS: PFOR, CA

SUBJECT: VIKING CONGRATULATORY MESSAGE FROM PRIME MINISTER

1. EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO TRANSMIT FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO
PRIME MINISTER TRUDEAU FROM PRESIDENT FORD:

BEGIN TEXT: DEAR MR. PRIME MINISTER: THANK YOU FOR YOUR
THOUGHTFUL MESSAGE REGARDING THE SUCCESS OF THE VIKING
MISSION.

THE GOOD WISHES OF PEOPLE THE WORLD OVER HAVE SUSTAINED THIS
EFFORT THROUGH MANY CRITICAL PERIODS, NOT THE LEAST OF WHICH
WAS DURING THE LONG JOURNEY FROM EARTH TO THE MARTIAN SUR-
FACE. THE FULL REALIZATION OF MAN'S AGE-OLD DREAM OF EX-
PLORING SPACE WILL REQUIRE A UNITY OF PURPOSE AND COOPERA-
TION AMONG MANKIND WHICH IS JUST BEGINNING TO BE DEVELOPED.
WE TRUST THAT OUR EFFORTS IN THE EXPLORATION OF SPACE WILL
BE AN IMPORTANT FACTOR IN THIS DEVELOPMENT.

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ON BEHALF OF ALL THOSE WHO CONTRIBUTED TO THE VIKING

SUCCESES, YOUR KIND EXPRESSION IS DEEPLY APPRECIATED.
SINCERELY, GERALD R. FORD. END TEXT.

2. WHITE HOUSE DOES NOT PLAN TO RELEASE TEXT TO PRESS BUT

HAS NO OBJECTION IF GOC WISHES TO DO SO. ROBINSON

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